

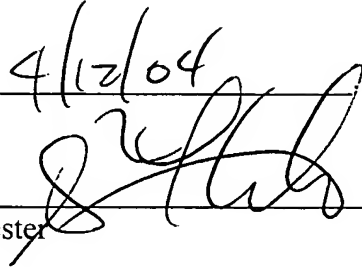


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For: **Remote DC Plant Monitoring System**

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Information Disclosure Statement (which includes cited statements A & B)
PTO 1449 - citing A-D
Cited references C-D

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

This information disclosure statement is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, and specifically:

- ☒ under 37 CFR 1.97(b), or
(within Three months of filing national application; or date of entry of international application; or before mailing date of first office action on the merits; whichever occurs last)
- ☐ under 37 CFR 1.97(c) together with either a:
☐ Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e), or
☐ a \$180.00 fee under 37 CFR 1.17(p), or
(After the CFR 1.97(b) time period, but before the final office action or notice of allowance, whichever occurs first)
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- ☒ Applicant(s) submit herewith *Form PTO 1449A - Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant* together with copies of patents, publications or other information of which applicant(s) are aware, which applicant(s) believe(s) may or may not be material to the examination of this application and for which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56. As required by 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a), a legible copy of each document is provided.

- ☐ A concise explanation of the relevance of foreign language patents, foreign language publications and other foreign language information listed on PTO Form 1449, as presently understood by the individual(s) designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content is given on the attached sheet, or where a foreign language patent is cited in a search report or other action by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, an English language version of the search report or action which indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is listed on the form PTO 1449 and is enclosed herewith.

The following rights are reserved by the Applicant(s): the right to establish the patentability of the claimed invention over any of the listed documents should they be applied as reference, and/or the right to prove that some of these documents may not be prior art, and/or the right to prove that some of these documents may not be enabling for the teachings they purport to offer.

This statement should not be construed as a representation that an exhaustive search has been made, or that information more material to the examination of the present application does not exist. Any statements or identifications regarding the relevance of any portion(s) of cited references should not be construed as a representation that the most relevant portion(s) have been identified, and the absence of such statements or identifications should not be construed as representations that there are no relevant portion(s). The Examiner is specifically requested not to rely solely on the materials submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to conduct an independent and thorough review of the documents, and to form independent opinions as to their significance.

As cited in attached form PTO-1449, Applicant made and used a client-server software package which was operable to remotely monitor only AC plant characteristics more than one year prior to the filing of the present application. The client-server based package enabled the user to remotely monitor the AC plant characteristics, and perform a remote startup of the AC plant.

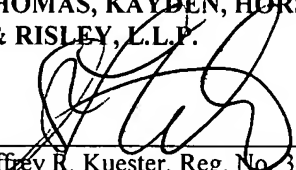
As cited in attached form PTO-1449, Applicant made and used a backup generator having a dialup connection, which was operable to reply to requests for data from the AC plant. The dialup connection was made and used more than one year prior to the filing of the present application. The dialup connection was an ASCII interface, could only manage one location at a time, and required that the technician call the number, connect to the AC plant, and inquire manually for each item of information desired. The dialup connection did not allow for remote startup of the AC plant, nor could a technician determine whether the AC plant was running without calling the site to inquire.

It is requested that the information disclosed herein be made of record in this application and that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 to indicate the documents have been considered.

Respectfully Submitted,

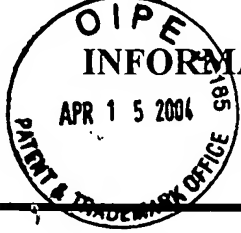
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OTHER DOCUMENTS <i>(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)</i>	
A	Applicant's statement regarding client-server based software application in Information Disclosure Statement
B	Applicant's statement regarding dialup-connection for retrieving backup generator data in Information Disclosure statement
C	Patent Application entitled "Remote Generator Fuel Monitoring System"; filed December 12, 2003; Serial No. 10/735,124.
D	Patent Application entitled "Web-Based Generator Testing and Monitoring System"; filed December 12, 2003; Serial No. 10/735,130.

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